

Begin puts his own autonomy plan before the cabinet today

Jerusalem Post Staff Premier Menachem Begin will submit his own blueprint for Arab autonomy in Judea, Samaria and Gaza this morning to the 11-member Ministerial Committee on Autonomy...

despite the problems... West Bank and Gaza residents would elect an autonomous administrative council. This was not to be a legislative council, Begin emphasized.

autonomy negotiations with Egypt. One of its advantages, Yadin said, was that it represented a consensus within the cabinet.



Former Prisoner of Zion Eduard Kuznetsov, carried on the shoulders of Avraham Zalmanson, celebrates his arrival in Israel. Looking on are the bearded Israel Zalmanson, who was released last year, and his brother Wolf Zalmanson, who gained his freedom on April 21. Kuznetsov is married to the Zalmansons' sister, Silva; Avraham is their uncle.

Kuznetsov: Keep up freedom efforts

Jerusalem Post Staff Eduard Kuznetsov, imprisoned nine years ago after an attempt to hijack a Soviet airliner to fly to freedom, yesterday thanked the people and government of Israel for their efforts to free the prisoners of Zion.

order which he held three weeks ago he had told Silva, Kuznetsov's wife, that he was confident they would be in Israel before long.

and by it to freedom. All seven were convicted at the same trial. "Thinking Begin for all he had done for the prisoners of Zion, Kuznetsov said that before the nine years he spent in a labour camp for his part in the Leningrad plot, he had spent another seven years in prison as a member of the Liberal movement in the USSR, which had tried to induce more democracy into the Soviet system.

Territories quiet on Independence Day Arab student shot in lone W. Bank incident

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter An Arab student at Bir Zeit University near Ramallah was shot and wounded yesterday during pro-PLO demonstrations in the town. Witnesses claimed the shot was fired from a car carrying Israelis on their way to join a Gush Eumim march in the area; the student was last night reported to be out of danger after undergoing an emergency operation in a Ramallah hospital.

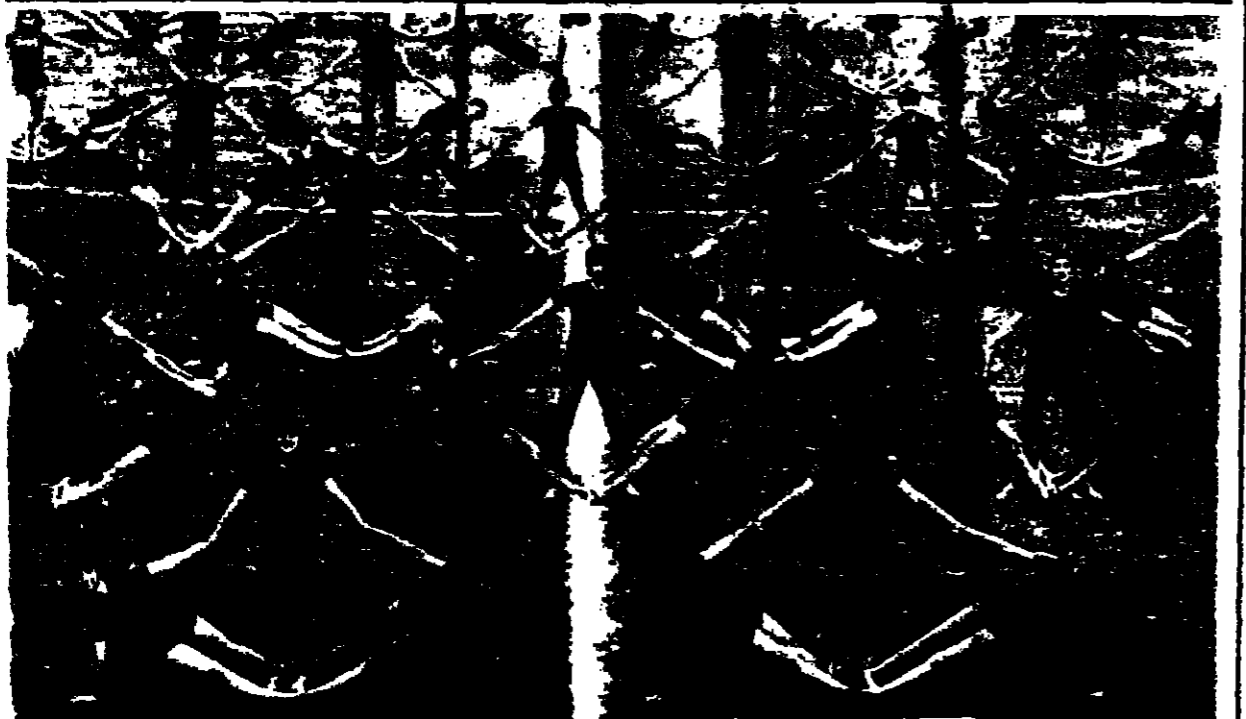
from Beit Sahr — was hit in the chest by a bullet aimed at one of the many PLO flags flying both on the campus and in the town during the disturbances.

Israel celebrates 31st year of freedom

Jerusalem Post Staff Israel poured into its streets and parks to celebrate its first independence day since the signing of the peace treaty with Egypt. The celebrations began on Tuesday night with the lighting of a giant menorah on Mount Herzl to mark the 31st anniversary.

troubadours in the capital. The ubiquitous squeaking hammer, carried by youngsters of all ages, picked out its victims in public and private parties throughout the country.

Independence Day was especially meaningful. Released last week from Soviet prisons, the seven joined relatives and longtime supporters for special celebrations in Jerusalem.



Hundreds of Israeli youth display gymnastic skill at the opening ceremony of the Hapoel Games yesterday in Ramat Gan.

Colourful pageant opens 11th Hapoel Games

By MARK SEGAL Jerusalem Post Reporter AVIV. — In a pageant of colour, and movement under lowering flags, the 11th International Hapoel Games got off to an impressive start today at the flag-decked Bloomfield Stadium in Jaffa. After President Yitzhak Navon opened the money, some 15,000 spectators crowded the procession of 1,300 athletes from 25 countries who will do the next week competing in 18 events.

Gerahwin's "Summer Time." Hundreds of local boys and girls danced, gyrated and performed superb displays of acrobatics. After Israel handed star Benny Egoz a laurel wreath, Israel's Olympic sprinter Esther Roth, bearing the national flag, led the marching parade with 11 Israeli athletes.

the meet's track and field events of their two top actions. Virens, who won the 5,000 and 10,000 metre races at both the Munich and Montreal Olympics, told the games' organizers he was withdrawing because of illness, it was announced yesterday. Hapoel reported that Kiddick, 27, withdrew his entry because his mother forbade him to come to Israel for security reasons.

EE TRIP TO LONDON.

Wednesday May 9, the names of those readers who subscribed our recent special one-year free air tickets to London or Paris will be drawn. To draw for these tickets, provided by Academy Travel Ltd., was delayed owing to postal problems. Results will be published in Jerusalem Post on Friday, May 11.

Eitan to visit Egypt 'in 10 days' time

From Military Correspondent Chief of Staff Rafael Eitan will not be going to Egypt next Tuesday, Israel Radio said last night. Eitan and the O.C. military intelligence, Yehoshua Saguy, would visit Egypt in 10 days' time.

Radiation escapes in Illinois plant accident

ZION, Illinois (AP) — Radioactive fumes escaped from the air at a nuclear power plant near here when water spilled on a reactor cooling system. Edison, the plant operator, reported yesterday that nothing like as serious as the March 28 accident at the plant in Pennsylvania, which caused a partial meltdown, forced the evacuation of people.

Carter repeats opposition to new areas settlements

By WOLF BLITZER Jerusalem Post Correspondent WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter has once again urged Israel to refrain from establishing new Jewish settlements in Judea and Samaria, the Gaza Strip and the Golan Heights. But he conceded that the U.S. was limited in what it could do to impose its will on Israel.

American foreign policy?" Carter replied that the U.S. position "historically has been consistent and my own position on settlements in the West Bank-Gaza area and on the Golan Heights and in the Sinai has...been consistent."

Gush marches in Samaria on eve of autonomy talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter Thousands of Gush Eumim supporters yesterday marched through part of Samaria demonstrating their attachment to the area on the eve of cabinet discussions on autonomy for its Arab inhabitants.

sons and the Arab village of Yanuf. Army and police units guarded the route, and helicopters hovered overhead.

Jews driven off disputed Galilee hill

Jerusalem Post Reporter Hundreds of stone-throwing Arabs yesterday drove 12 Jewish would-be settlers scurrying off disputed land north west of Mt. Yafa in Western Galilee.

District Court said they feared the Jews were trying to grab it. The settlers said the Arabs stoned them, slashed the tyres of one of their cars and smashed it up. One of the Jews — Shmaya Natanon — fired into the air and the group tried to get away, leaving behind equipment worth some IL500,000. But the Arabs kept up the attack until police rescued them, the settlers said.

Saudis, Sadat swap insults on Syria link

Post Mideast Affairs Editor Whatever remained of the once-close relationship between Cairo and Riyadh appeared to be crumbling yesterday, as the Saudis called Egyptian President Anwar Sadat a "liar," in an angry response to Sadat's stinging attack in a May Day speech on Saudi Arabia's leaders.

position. Sudan's ambassador in Kuwait yesterday said that his country is retracting its support for Sadat. Sudan is one of only four members of the Arab League which did not cut off relations with Cairo in the wake of the signing of the Israel-Egypt peace treaty.

President Sadat, who has in the past shown a remarkable flair for distorting facts and history, has managed to outdo even himself — if that is at all possible," commented Riyadh's English-language daily, "The Arab News."

He scathingly warned the Saudis that they are assuming a role that is larger than their capabilities and "their size."

U.S. defends Saudi peace role

Jerusalem Post Correspondent WASHINGTON. — The State Department yesterday came to Saudi Arabia's defence, despite Egyptian President Anwar Sadat's harsh comments a day earlier about the Saudi attitude toward the peace treaty with Israel.

In the past, had played a constructive role, adding that Washington still hoped this would continue. He called the Saudi regime "moderate" because, he said, the Saudis support a peaceful resolution.

Photo-finish expected in British poll today

By HYAM CORNEY Jerusalem Post Correspondent and Agencios LONDON. — Britain goes to the polls today after what has been called by one seasoned political observer "the most puzzling post-war election campaign." What has made it so puzzling is that after leading by huge margins in the opinion polls throughout the long campaign, the Tories are no longer clear favourites to sweep Labour out of power.

Thatcher's Conservatives, who offer Britons whopping income tax cuts and more freedom to run their own lives.

Police nab drug suspects

By YORAM BAR Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Police here on Independence Day arrested 12 people, including four women, suspected of smuggling heroin worth IL300,000 from France and attempting to sell it in Israel. One of the suspects was recently released from a West German jail, where he served two years for drug trafficking in the "Shimon Connection, in which Shimon ("Kushi") Rimov was involved.

on Monday night, after narcotics squad detectives recognized a man entering a yard in Jaffa. The detectives followed him and said they found him in possession of 800 drug tablets.

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Table with columns for day, temperature, and weather.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL
The Austrian Ambassador, Theo Müssl, gave a dinner Monday night at his Herziya residence in honour of General Hubert Wingelbauer, Inspector-General of the Austrian Armed Forces.

Birth
To Sara and Hanan Sher, a son, brother to Sharon and Galit, May 2, 1979.

ARRIVALS
Dr. Sol Stein, president of the Israel Histradut Foundation in the U.S. for consultations, to meet with the Histradut leadership.

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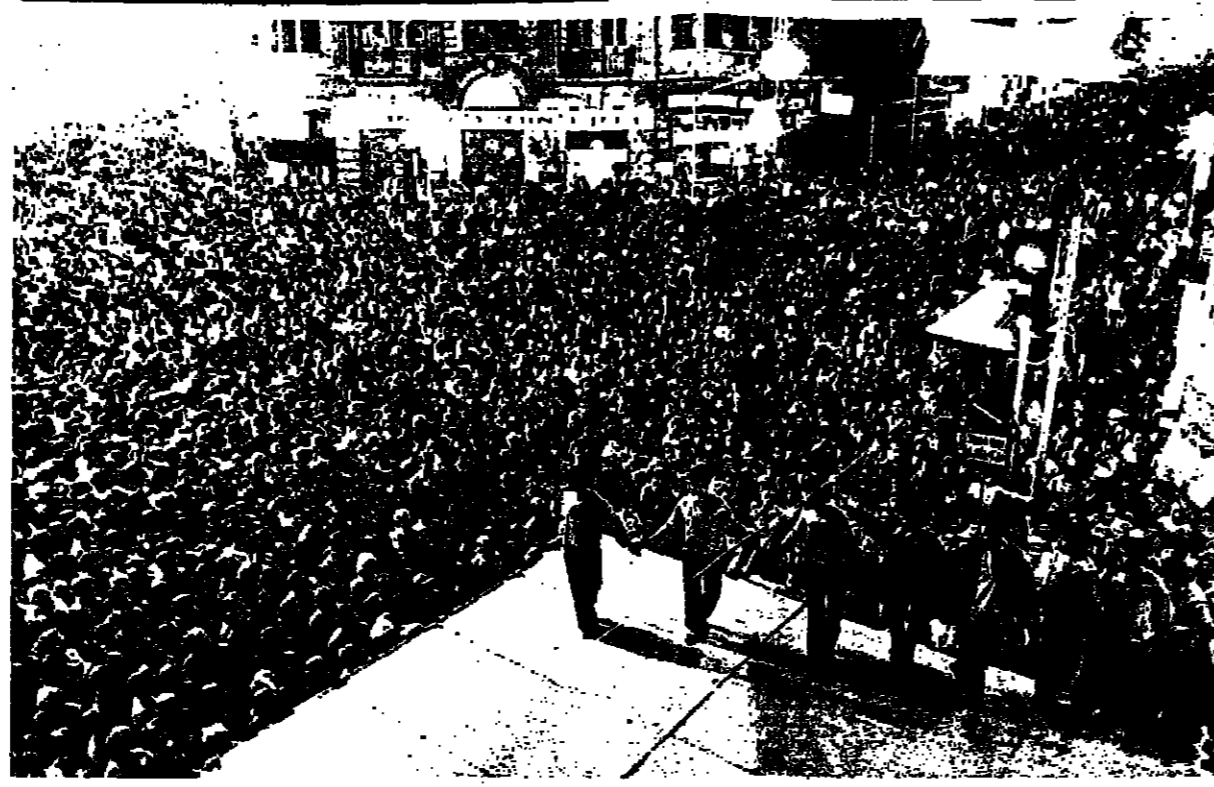
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Jerusalemites throng around the stage set up at Zion Square for Tuesday night's Independence Day festivities. (Rahamim Israel)

Peace, freed prisoners flavour Independence Day celebrations

By JUDY SIEGEL
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Two differences — the kindling of a "torch of peace" and the presence of seven Jews who had been prisoners of Zion in Soviet jails only a short time ago — made Tuesday night's traditional Independence Eve ceremony on Jerusalem's Mount Herzl one of the most moving in years.

acknowledgement. Shamir kindled the fire from which 12 other beacons were lit by 12 representatives of families whose roots in the Land of Israel can be traced back for many generations, thus showing the continuity of Jewish settlement on the land. The torch for lighting the "torch of peace" was handed to Giladi by six children and grandchildren of fighters from the varic s-pre-state underground movements.

The most prevalent sound was the constant squeaking of plastic hammers on heads. Police Inspector-General Haim Tavori, wearing civilian clothes, was a popular target among celebrants who couldn't resist the immunity of Independence Day for "assaulting" an officer.

In memory of our sons and daughters who fell in battle, and in the hope that no more tragedies will befall our homes, I kindle this beacon," said David Giladi in a broken but strong voice as he lit the "torch of peace" perched atop the bandshell.

The traditional midtown celebration began this year only at 10 p.m., preceded by decentralized festivities in outlying neighbourhoods. Undaunted by reports of terrorists' intentions to stage a "spectacular incident" during the holiday, Jerusalemites seemed unconcerned about any danger and crowded together so tightly that it was often impossible to make headway through the river of people.

Approximately 150 joggers began their Independence Day yesterday morning with a 6 a.m.-run around Jerusalem's Old City walls. Top-flight runners finished the course in just over 16 minutes, with the last stragglers arriving back at Jaffa Gate within a half hour.

Lights, song and dance in Tel Aviv

Jerusalem Post Staff
TEL AVIV. — The city glowed with coloured lights and rang with song and music throughout the eve of Independence Day, as Tel Avivians took to the streets to celebrate, with thousands thronging Eilat Malchei Yisrael, centre of the publicly-sponsored festivities.

both here and in the streets, where people crowded the sidewalk cafes. Youngsters drew tourists into whirlwind folk-dance circles. Last night's Independence Day gaiety, which had been marked mostly by beach parties and picnics, merged with the start of celebrations honouring Tel Aviv's 70th anniversary celebrations. The "Hurray for Tel Aviv" revue featured 10 song and dance ensembles from all over Israel, as well as student groups and orchestras.

Entertainment stages were a focus for crowds throughout the towns and settlements in the south of the country, and in Ashdod, cinemas gave free performances for the town's children. yesterday ensuring that Tel Avivians could celebrate peacefully. However, police reported that some 70 vehicles were broken into during the holiday.

Thousands throng Haifa's rock concert

By MARY HIRSCHFELD
Jerusalem Post Reporter
HAIFA. — More than five thousand people of all ages gathered in the Gan Hazikaron Park in Haifa yesterday afternoon to listen to the rock and pop marathon which officially ended Independence Day festivities here.

day; they outsold all other souvenirs, including Israeli flags. The city's youth orchestra marched enthusiastically through virtually deserted streets, ending their march in Gan Hazikaron by performing to a cheering crowd.

adults and children. Mayor Arye Gurel received Haifa residents at Gan Hazikaron at 10 a.m. Not many people chose to sail because of the slightly cool winds and cloudy sky.

SADAT v. SAUDIS

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Premier Menachem Begin that he was committed to promoting the establishment of "a Palestinian state in the West Bank and Gaza." "I told Begin that I shall not betray the Palestinians as did Jordan's late King Abdullah, who annexed the West Bank instead of setting up a Palestinian state there," Sadat said, though he conceded that he had no reply for Begin when the latter asked how come he now wanted to set up a Palestinian state in the Golan Strip after Egypt had denied it that status throughout its 18-year rule there.

Nevertheless, Sadat claimed, Begin erasod Egypt's current drive. He added that could also have helped bring a settlement in the Golan Heights, but did not do so "because of those filthy Ba'athist Alawites" ruling Syria.

Knesset orders halt on most building

Jerusalem Post Reporter
The cabinet on Monday voted to freeze most non-essential construction for an indefinite period, to permit builders to concentrate on badly needed home construction.

buildings in development towns, depressed areas of other cities, and Jerusalem's new suburbs. Hospital construction already under way may also be continued. Two Alignment Knesset members — Uzi Baram and Yosef Sarid — have already lodged a protest with the government because of work on the proposed Shu'afat sports stadium and recreation park in Jerusalem has also been ordered frozen.

Israel Office of the British Zionist Federation
Herziya Municipality, Department of Culture and Youth
announce that the dedication ceremony of

THE STELLA RURKA
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will take place on Sunday, May 6, 1979 at 5 p.m. at the Krami Community Centre, Rehov Shaul Hamelech, Herziya Pituah (off Hameginim Street).

Nine awarded 'Weizman' knew U.S. loan would be at normal rate'

By BENNY MORRIS
Jerusalem Post Reporter
Nine outstanding Israelis received the Israel Prize for 1979 last night in a ceremony held in the Jerusalem Theatre. The prizes were awarded by President Yitzhak Navon and Education Minister Zevulun Hammer.

Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — Defense Minister Ezer Weizman knew that the supplemental Sinai aid would be given at regular interest rates, rather than at the lower "concessionary" rates.

ing a meeting on March 23, that \$300m. would be an outright grant and the remaining \$230m. military sales credits, which carry an approximately 9 per cent interest rate. Israel's attempts to increase the grant portion of the package and to win "concessionary" rates for the loans have so far failed, and prospects for success in Congress are not good, given the widespread mood of fiscal constraint there.

Carter pledges more efforts for Soviet political prisoners

By WOLF BLUMBERG
Jerusalem Post Correspondent
WASHINGTON. — U.S. President Jimmy Carter pledged Monday to continue America's concerted human rights campaign to free Soviet political prisoners.

While the president did not mention any specific names, officials here confirmed that the U.S. is still actively working to win the release of Anatoly Shcharanov, Yuri Orlov, Ida Nudel and other high-profile Soviet activists.

Carter said that he "personally" supports extending most-favoured-nation trade status to the Soviet Union "if it can be done in compliance with existing law." He was referring to the 1974 Jackson-Vanik "Freedom of Emigration" amendment to the trade bill, which links the extension of the trade credits to a liberalization of Soviet emigration policies.

UNIFIL rejects arms-sale charges

Post Mideast Affairs Editor
The UN headquarters in Jerusalem has issued a statement saying that allegations being levelled by the commander of the Christian militias in Southern Lebanon, Major Sa'ad Haddad, against UN officers were "completely unfounded."

UNIFIL rejects the irresponsible statements against its personnel as part of recently-intensified attempts to discredit the UN peacekeeping force through exploitation of prevailing sentiments of concerned civilian population," the statement said.

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BEGIN'S PLAN TO CABINET

(Continued from page one)
nation broadcast on Tuesday evening, Begin declared that, for the first time ever, Israel would not confront with a mortal threat to its existence. Having signed the peace with Egypt, it was faced with the amazing Arab confrontation states but they, even combined, did not constitute a threat to the Jewish state's very existence.

The premier revealed that he had sent a stiff protest to U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance over Washington's granting an entry visa to PLO official Shalikh al-Hout. "I asked the Secretary to take note that this shocks public opinion in Israel, all our people. In the future I asked him to consult us before such things are done. This is the duty of the U.S."

He and Sadat would fly together on the new Cairo-Tel Aviv air corridor and then visit Beerseba, where they would pay a courtesy call on the mayor and then appear jointly before students at Ben-Gurion University.

In deep sorrow we announce the death of my dear husband, our father, brother and grandfather

MOSHE SACKER
The funeral will be held today, Thursday, May 3, 1979, at 3.15 p.m. in the Holon cemetery.
We shall meet at the new gate at 3.00 p.m.
The mourners:
Wife, Riva;
Son and daughter-in-law, Kalman and Ety Sacker;
Daughter and son-in-law, Vicky and Jacob Yochanan Sacker;
Grandchildren, Boaz, Sharon and Michael;
Nephew and sister-in-law, Mara and Sufa Sacker;
Sister, Hanna Ostrovsky and family;
and all the family in Israel and abroad.

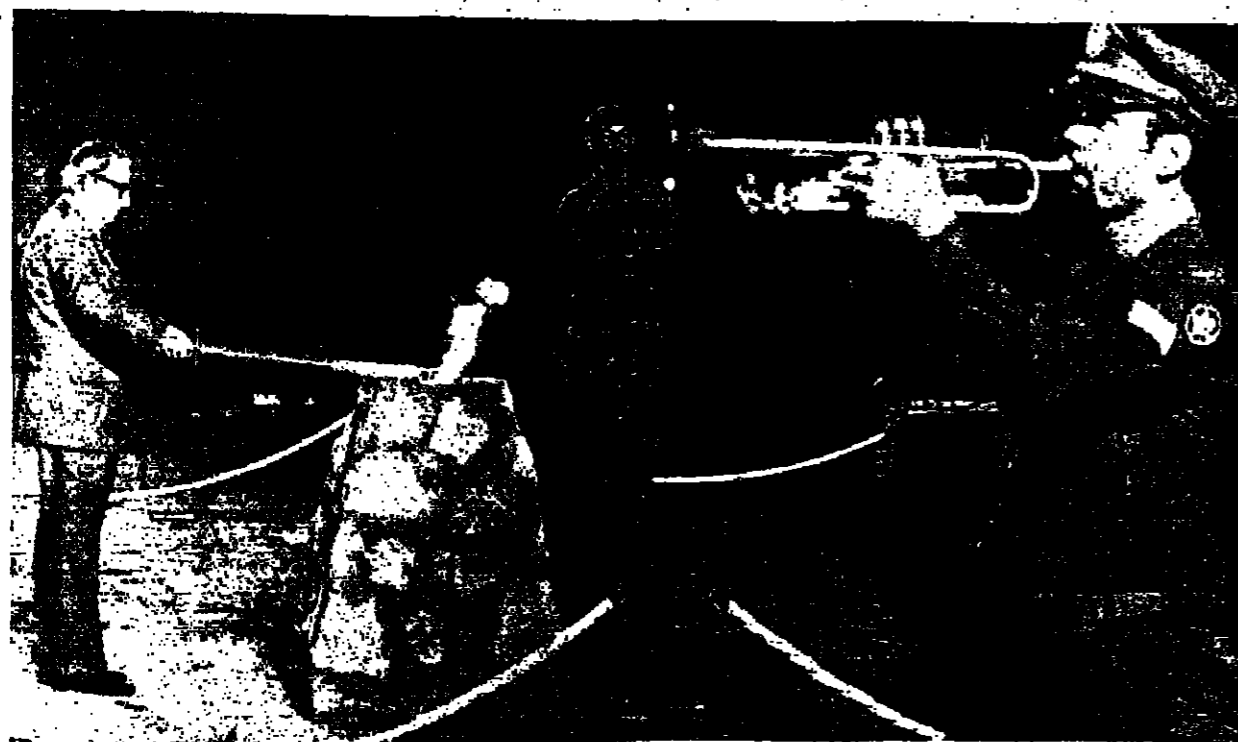
In deep sorrow we announce the death of my dearly beloved husband, our father and brother

CHARLES CHAIM BARCLAY
A memorial meeting and unveiling of the tombstone for our dear
will take place at 1.30 p.m. tomorrow, Friday, May 4, 1979, at the Kfar Shmaryahu Cemetery.
Wife: Nehama
Son: Brian
Daughter: Clair
and all the family.

On the thirtieth day of the passing of our dearest mother, a memorial service and tombstone unveiling will be held for our dear parents

LEO AND HERTHA KOELENSCHER
at 4 p.m., Monday, May 7, 1979 at the Holon Cemetery.
A bus will leave the Kfar Shmaryahu Auditorium at 3.15 p.m.
The bereaved family

DAVID ANIN AZARCHS
passed away suddenly on May 1, 1979. The funeral will take place at Raanana cemetery today, Thursday, May 3, 1979, at 2 p.m.
The Bereaved Family



President Yitzhak Navon kindles a flame during Monday evening's ceremony at the Western Wall in Jerusalem, marking the beginning of Memorial Day. (Rahamim Israeli)

Bereaved father says Kaddish at opening of Memorial Day

A bereaved father who lost a leg in the War of Independence said "kaddish" for all of Israel's fallen soldiers at a state ceremony for the opening of Memorial Day, held at Jerusalem's Western Wall on Monday night.

Shmaryahu Treus, the father of Tural Haim Treus who fell during Jordanian shelling in the Beit She'an Valley 11 years ago, recited the traditional prayer as 800 other bereaved parents looked on.

President Yitzhak Navon said he hoped that through the courage of the fallen Israel would finally be granted true peace forever. In a characteristically short speech, IDF Chief of Staff Rav-Aluf Rafael Eitan said that Israel's defenders have amply demonstrated their readiness to sacrifice.

Zim ship home after historic Canal passage

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — The Zim freighter Ashdod arrived here at noon on Tuesday after a history-making passage through the Suez Canal. In deference to Memorial Day there were no welcoming ceremonies, but Zim general manager Yehuda Rotem presented the ship's master, Capt. in Carol Mendelovitz, with certificates of merit for himself and his 21-man crew, to mark their having made the first trip through the Canal on a ship flying the Israeli flag. (Picture, page 4).

However, there are no plans for another passage "in the foreseeable future," Rotem told the press. "We shall go through the Canal only if commercial considerations make it worthwhile."

Meshel raps government Jerusalem Post Reporter. Histadrut Secretary-General Yeroham Meshel blamed the government for inflation in his May Day address on Israel Radio on Monday. Meshel was also critical of the government for cutting subsidies on basic commodities and refusing to grant concessions to pensioners.

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Yeshiva student from moshav wins Youth Bible Quiz

By JUDY SIEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporter From an opening shot about Pharaoh to a final challenge about Eretz Yisrael that was written by Prime Minister Menachem Begin, a 15-year-old yeshiva student named Ronen Feldman was always ahead. The teenager from Moshav Nehalim near Petah Tikva won the World Jewish Bible Quiz for Youth by scoring 93 out of a possible 100 points yesterday.



Bible champion Ronen Feldman smiles as he clutches his prize. (Rahamim Israeli)

"Hallelujah." Education and Culture Minister Zevulun Hammer said that many Jews are missing out on the "meeting of the people and their land" that is now taking place with the rebirth of the State of Israel.

Negev plans also affect civilian life, Weizman tells the Knesset

By ARYEH RUBINSTEIN Post Knesset Reporter Negev development plans stemming from the redeployment of army forces from Sinai will not be limited to military requirements but will also seek to fulfill the government's general objectives for the Negev.

Defence Minister Ezer Weizman said this at the special session of the Knesset on Monday. He was replying to a motion for the agenda by Gad Ya'acobi (Alignment), who urged the establishment of a special authority that would deal with all aspects of Negev development.

Weizman also promised that all contracts would be awarded on the basis of competitive bidding. But if all bids for a particular job appeared unreasonable, contracts would be awarded on the basis of negotiations with contractors — perhaps with several contractors at the same time and perhaps with parallel negotiations with foreign contractors to preserve the competitive factor.

Giant U.S. nuclear carrier due in Haifa

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter HAIFA. — The nuclear-powered U.S. aircraft carrier Dwight D. Eisenhower, and the nuclear-powered guided missile frigate South Carolina are due here tomorrow for the biggest and longest 6th Fleet visit to Israel so far.

Haifa port pilot Zvi Shidlo, who brought the ship into harbour here, did not join the general elation. Shidlo had been master of the freighter Bat Galim when that ship attempted to make the Suez passage under the Israeli flag 25 years ago.

116 dunams near Acre expropriated

Jerusalem Post Reporter ACRE. — Approximately 116 dunams of land belonging to the Arab villages of Yirka and Deir el-Asad, near here, have been expropriated by the Interior Ministry for development of the Tefen industrial region.

Seventy-seven dunams are to be used for the development of Kibbutz Kishor, and the other 39 are for Moshav Tuval.

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Gabon leader's wife treated at Hadassah The wife of the leader of the West African state of Gabon was recently hospitalized in Jerusalem's Hadassah Hospital for gynecological treatment. Itim reported on Tuesday. Her presence was not revealed by the hospital authorities while she was there, because Gabon has no diplomatic ties with Israel.

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Iran mourns killing of top Khomeini aide

TEHRAN (UPI). — Iran has declared today a day of national mourning for a prominent religious aide of Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, gunned down on Tuesday night in the second most serious political murder since the country's Islamic revolution last February...

On Tuesday night's attack on the 60-year-old Motaheri followed by ten days the assassination of former chief of staff Maj. Gen. Vali Mohammad Qarani. Both Motaheri and Qarani were regarded as close aides of Khomeini.



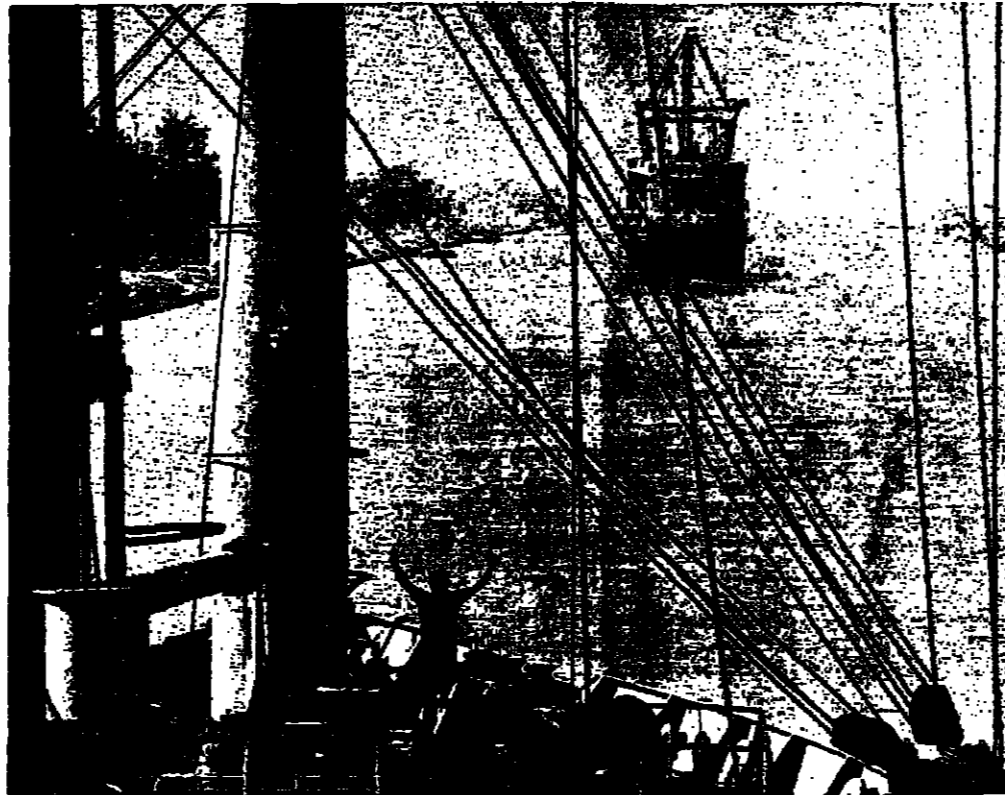
Ayatollah Motaheri, UPI telephoto

Chinese paper teaches masses now that love rehabilitated

PEKING (AP). — Now that love is back as an approved subject in the Chinese press, a Shanghai newspaper has warned against love based on a pretty face, riches or property.

China warns Hanoi of 'another lesson'

PEKING (Reuters). — China told UN Secretary-General Kurt Waldheim yesterday that it reserved the right to "teach Vietnam another lesson" if Hanoi renewed its alleged provocations, informed sources said here.



Up in the bows of the Ashdod, an Israeli waves as the Zim ship moves through the Suez Canal on its epoch-making journey.

General election today Liberals could hold balance in UK

LONDON (AP). — The middle-of-the-road Liberal Party could hold the balance of power after today's general elections in Britain, an opinion poll indicated on Tuesday.

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He claimed that another five-year mandate for Labour would mean safer jobs, better price control, less risk of industrial disruption and a more prosperous Britain.

UN West Asia body wants Egypt out

WASHINGTON (AP). — The U.S. government expressed deep regret on Tuesday over the UN Economic Commission for Western Asia's decision to recommend Egypt's expulsion from its membership.

Don't breach N-treaty, Carter warns Soviets

WASHINGTON (AP). — U.S. President Jimmy Carter says that if the Soviet Union violates a treaty to limit nuclear weapons "it might very well escalate into a nuclear confrontation."

Two Russians defect to Britain

LONDON (Reuters). — Britain has given asylum to a Soviet journalist, and temporary permission to stay to a member of a Soviet folk-dance group.

Nazis' counterfeit on trial for murder

MUNICH (AP). — A 72-year-old former SS officer described as Hitler's top counterfeit expert has gone on trial here, on charges on murdering a Yugoslav fellow worker during World War II.

Kennedy denies feud with Carter

WASHINGTON (Reuters). — Senator Edward Kennedy said on Tuesday that he would support President Jimmy Carter's re-election next year, and denied that he was feuding with the president.

Carter picks outsider to head U.S. army

WASHINGTON. — President Jimmy Carter has passed over 15 more senior generals to pick Lt. Gen. Edward Meyer to become the U.S. army's next chief of staff, Pentagon sources said on Tuesday night.

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Radio — most effective political medium in Arab world

By DILIP HIBO
CAIRO — "We must incite the Egyptian people against their ruler," said Iraq's number two man, Saddam Hussein, in the recent conference of the Arab foreign and economic ministers in Baghdad.

and Iraq, there is at least one transistor radio in every household and car and probably one to every two households elsewhere in the region.

offering lucrative salaries even to those with the barest of qualifications. Within a decade the Gulf states have come a long way. From having no radio station at all in 1969, the United Arab Emirates now has four on the air for most of the day and night.

which is run by a public corporation directed by the ministry. One of Jordan's two television channels transmits programmes in Arabic, and the other in foreign languages including English, French and Hebrew.

war and the imposition of censorship. In contrast, Damascus has only three dailies, and they are all state-owned. None of them sells more than 30,000 copies — a poor performance in a country with a population of 8 million.

government had added considerably to the list of banned publications in Arabic, including many from such moderate and conservative states as Kuwait and Saudi Arabia.

Kurdish nationalism worries Turkey

By SAM COHEN
ISTANBUL — Kurdish nationalism in eastern Turkey is stirring up growing alarm among the nation's political and military leaders.

Morocco faces wave of unrest

By ADRIAN FOREMAN
KING HASSAN of Morocco celebrated the 18th anniversary of his accession in March to a background of public discontent which threatens the authority of the ruling elite.

movement. Shortly afterwards, Morocco's prime minister for six years, Mohammed Osman, announced his resignation in order to "reorganize" the pro-royalist majority party, the National Assembly of Independents (ANI), in the government coalition.

Sudan's south fears closer links with Egypt

By JOHN WORRELL
NAIROBI — In ancient times the Sudan was the granary of Egypt. Camel caravans carried grain to Cairo and Alexandria to feed the Pharaohs. Nubian slaves from the Sudan were imported to build the pyramids.



Now, once again, the eyes of the Egyptians, suffering from an exploding population which is less and less able to feed itself, are firmly fixed on the Sudan's vast fertile lands watered by the White and the Blue Niles.

regional government inside a unified political framework. The south has its own cabinet and parliament and sends representatives to the central assembly in Khartoum.

1976, and a declaration by Sadat at the joint session that an attack on the Sudan would be regarded as an attack on Egypt. Both countries are concerned about Russian and Cuban infiltration into Africa.

difficult. They specially don't want to be an "immigration destination" for unemployed young Egyptians.

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Hot swimmers to cool Hapoel pool

By PAUL KOHN
Jerusalem Post Reporter
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Germany's world record holder Gerald Moerkel will appear in the 100 metres breaststroke...

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Liverpool marches on

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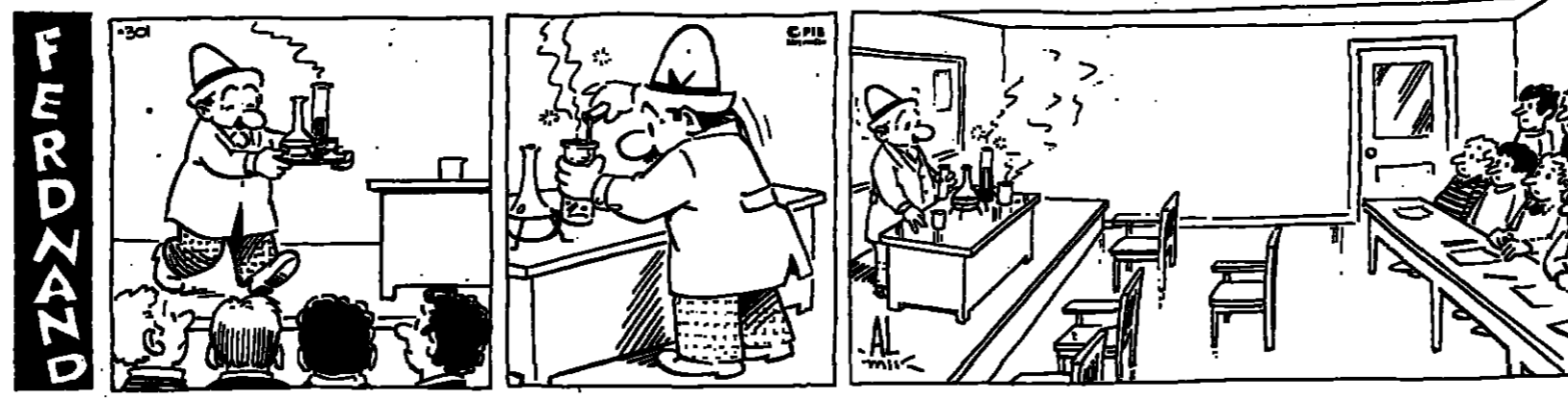
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Liverpool coming for all-star game

TEL AVIV. — European Soccer champs Liverpool, who are virtually certain to end this season as the English champions, are slated to play at the Ramat Gan stadium on Monday, May 28.

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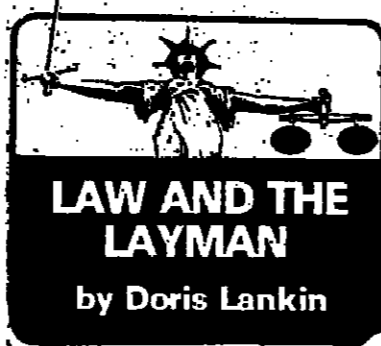
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REPUTED SPOUSE

THE INSTITUTION of the reputed spouse appears to be exclusive to Israel, there being, to the best of my knowledge, no parallel institution recognized by law in any other country.

with respect to the definition of "reputed spouse." Which brings me to the subject of definitions. In general, the relevant laws simply include within the definition of "wife" (or "spouse" as the case may be) "the woman who is living with the man in question and is commonly reputed to be his wife."



LAW AND THE LAYMAN by Doris Lankin

The Succession Law and the Estate Duty Law. The result is that the Succession Law grants rights of inheritance and maintenance to persons who have lived together as man and wife in a common household, as long as neither was married to someone else at the time of death of one of them; and the Estate Duty Law allows for certain deductions from estate duty for such persons.

Exceptional Trump standard asking bid

AS A STUDENT performance, the Haifa Ficcoco Ballet in the Nahmani Theatre, Tel Aviv (April 28) was of exceptional standard — a performance of exceptionally trained students. Accepted thus, the programme was always enjoyable.

THE PRECISION game and slam bidding devices outlined here apply to other systems as well. Today's deal illustrates the Trump Suit Asking Bid. A raise of responder's suit by the one club opener is the trump suit asking bid. This bid may be made immediately, or at times delayed by the use of other asking bids.

RECENTLY I was asked by Liora Bar-Tal to carry out a physical examination on her 10-year-old son Ron, a prerequisite for his acceptance to a fencing class organized by the local area council for the moshav children.

anxious and concerned even at the mention of the word "murmur" in the mistaken assumption that it invariably has an ominous significance. Since this isn't so, such apprehension is often misplaced.

Sounding out the heart

DOCTOR'S NOTEBOOK David Samson blowing sound produced by the pumping action of the heart, its valves or the passage of blood through vessels entering or leaving its compartments.

at the time, it will usually disappear spontaneously when the child grows older. FOR ABOUT every 20 or so murmurs I hear in children like Ron, about 18 or 19 percent are functional in nature and, thus, only rarely does the discovery of a murmur in this age group indicate some underlying heart condition, trivial or otherwise.

know about the existence of a murmur and its precise significance. This dispels unnecessary fear and anxiety and, just as important, will prevent the child's normal daily activities and routine from being erroneously curtailed or restricted because of any unresolved lingering doubt about his physical health.

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THE DEDICATION CEREMONY OF THE GROVE IN MEMORY OF RABBI DR. BENJAMIN GOTTSCHALL Formerly of Prague and Sydney, Australia will take place on Monday, May 14, 1979 at 11 a.m. at Kerem Mahara, south of Haifa.

REPORT SUSPICIOUS OBJECTS

CROSSING the U.S. border into Mexico is a little like driving across the Green Line to Gaza, or the West Bank — that sudden shift backward from modern, cultivated prosperity to earlier and less affluent times.

Just as Gaza and West Bank residents find it more profitable to work in Israel, millions of Mexicans have tried to get a share of America's wealth by going north to look for jobs.

The same thing happens in Europe, where Spanish, Greek and Turkish labourers flock to jobs in West Germany and Switzerland. And with the opening of borders with Egypt — which shares many of Mexico's social and economic woes — Israel is likely to lure Egyptian workers as well.

Over the years, a number of

Mexicans seek place in sun

By CAROL COOK / Special to The Jerusalem Post



Jimmy Carter... relegating the issue.

schemes have been proposed to try to keep them out — including a complicated programme devised by President Jimmy Carter. None has succeeded; the migrants keep streaming over the border, and Carter recently decided to be neighbourly and relegate the issue to a congressional commission.

With an eye on Mexico's newfound oil wealth, the U.S. wants to avoid offering by too tough a policy on the illegals.

And the president may also have come to an obvious conclusion: as long as a rich country shares a

border with a poor country, nothing — short of military force — can stop migration.

LIKE EGYPT, Mexico suffers from a bitter division between rich and poor, a very high birth rate, food production that lags behind population growth, and many more workers than the economy can absorb.

Every year, the U.S. border patrol turns back more than a million job-starved migrants trying to slip over from Mexico. Most are Mexicans, but some have come from farther south — Guatemala, El Salvador, Peru.

Many are caught several times, but try again and again. Some pay hundreds of dollars to "coyotes" — professional smugglers — to get them across, hidden in cargo trucks or using forged visas. Hundreds of thousands simply walk across the border, or swim across the Rio Grande — thus the term "wet-backs."

Mexico prefers to call the migrants "undocumented workers," the U.S. refers to them as "illegal aliens." But whatever they are called, the illegal migrants add up to an important economic factor for both countries.

NO ONE knows exactly how many Mexicans are working illegally in the U.S. — some observers guess there are four or five million. About a million migrants are estimated to steal over the border safely each year.

The Mexicans, accustomed to tough physical labour and prepared

to accept lower wages than U.S. workers, soon find jobs on farms, in factories, garages, restaurants, and as domestic servants.

Thus, some economists point out, they help keep down inflation in the U.S.

By Mexican standards, their earnings are high. Migrants send their families in Mexico about \$3 billion a year, giving Mexico some badly needed foreign exchange.

Even more important, the migration offers a safety valve for social discord. If it were not for the possibility of finding work in the U.S., Mexico's chronic unemployment situation and class divisions would explode into serious social unrest.

ALTHOUGH a harsh police crackdown has mostly wiped out the guerrilla bands that were active in the mid-1970s, crime has grown with the economic crisis that surrounded the devaluation of the peso in 1976.

In that year, which saw inflation soar to 30 per cent, auto theft increased by 16 per cent and hold-ups by 80 per cent.

Economic problems have led to the closing of many small- and medium-sized businesses, and thus to increasing unemployment. About 40 per cent of Mexico's labour force of 17 million does not have regular work; they get by on part-time jobs or such marginal work as selling lottery tickets and washing cars.

Children, as young as eight or nine, help supplement the family income by hawking newspapers or selling chewing gum.

Despite a five-year-old govern-

ment family-planning programme, Mexico's population of 67 million is expanding at the rate of 2.2 per cent a year. Almost a million young people enter the job market each year and must compete for less than 200,000 new jobs.

Unemployment is worst in the rural areas, where more than 25 million people still try to live off land that is scarce, subdivided and overworked. Peasant farmers work an average of only 100 days a year. Without irrigation, their lands are idle during the seven-month-long dry season.

These are the people who stream north in the hope of finding work — usually helping with harvests in California, Texas and Florida. Until 1984, they were allowed to enter the U.S. legally under the "bracero" programme — eventually halted under pressure from labour unions.

U.S. LABOUR groups continue to claim that the migrants take jobs away from American citizens because the Mexicans are prepared to accept lower wages. Wayne Cornelius, of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, a leading investigator of the migrant problem, has found no proof that this is so. His studies "indicate the Mexicans do heavy physical labour that Americans no longer want to do."

Some Americans also believe the presence of many more Mexicans will have political consequences. They fear the migrants will eventually exert a disproportionate influence on U.S. policy towards Mexico, just as American Jews influence policy towards Israel. And some of the anti-migrant feeling is plainly racist.

In any case, until Mexico's economy grows enough to provide jobs at home, workers will continue to look north.

Cornelius told of a migrant who was being turned back for the third time and was asked what could be done to prevent him trying to cross the border again. "The Mexican replied: 'Shoot me.'"

The author is the Post's former correspondent in Mexico City. She is now living in Israel.

QUAKE YEAR LOOMING

By PAUL HARRISON London



Armoured car guards the badly damaged presidential palace in Managua after the Nicaraguan earthquake. (AP)

nia, has already been destroyed by one earthquake this century.

It is already known that by disturbing the equilibrium of the earth, other planets can trigger earthquakes on our planet.

The two scientists have published a book with their grim warning and backed it with scientific findings, while John Ebdon has included the Jupiter Effect in his daily show at the London Planetarium. "Omens," essentially, this deals with superstitions and omens, or what people interpret as omens, such as the appearance of a comet or red moon, which was always taken to portend war.

His warning on the possible devastating events of 1982, however, has frightened people in a way the superstitions and omens of the past never could. He says: "A lot of people have been frightened although children love it because they like to be frightened."

"A lot of people haven't heard the words 'may' or 'possibly' which make all the difference. Some people have reacted vehemently — I had one woman phoning me blaming me for making her baby incontinent."

HE HAS ALSO been accused of mocking God, which, as a Christian saddens him. The overall reaction has been good, however, and the show has certainly proved to be popular: In one recent week more than 8,000 people saw it and it is planned to extend "Omens" until the summer.

Believers in the astrological powers of the stars and planets will also read into the planetary line-up of 1982 potential catastrophe, for in February of that year, the sun will be in Capricorn with Mercury and Venus, Jupiter will be in the sign of Libra, and Saturn and Mars will be in Virgo.

Only the events of 1982 will be able to confirm whether the astronomers and astrologists, in rare conjunction, are right in their dire warnings about that year.

Early warning on defects

By CHRISTINE DOYLE / Washington

SCIENTISTS have taken the first step towards the development of a simple blood test to screen women early in pregnancy for genetic abnormalities such as mongolism in their babies.

The test involves the examination of cells from the baby which pass into the mother's bloodstream.

Dr. Leonard Herzenberg and his colleagues at Stanford University School of Medicine in California, where the work is being carried out, says: "We have for the first time shown that as early as 15 weeks into pregnancy small numbers of foetal cells are present in the mother's blood stream." This idea had been suggested previously but not proved conclusively nor widely accepted.

A successful test could have enormous social and public health impact. At present there is no practical test for screening women under the age of 35 for Down's syndrome (mongolism) in their babies. Although babies born to older women appear most at risk of the chromosomal defect, three out of four mongol babies are born to women under the age of 35 — simply because the majority of babies are born to younger women. There is also a range of other defects involving missing, extra or rearranged chromosomes.

At present older women and those whose babies are at high risk of birth defects may be offered a more complicated test involving the insertion of a needle into the mother's abdomen and the withdrawal of a sample containing cells cast off from the baby. If, after further tests, these cells are found to be abnormal, many women choose an abortion.

THE POTENTIAL risks of such a test do not justify its use in younger women, quite apart from its cost on a mass scale.

The Stanford team's external test uses an instrument called the fluorescence-activated cell sorter. Prof. Howard Cann, a member of the team, explains that between two and 20 million foetal cells may cross the placenta and enter the mother's blood stream.

Babies' cells carry material derived from the father, thus marking them out as different from the mother's cells. This difference has been used to develop a harmless method of coating the babies' cells with fluorescent material. The cell sorts into separate tubes, "glowing" foetal cells from the mother's.

The next step is to persuade the foetal cells to reproduce themselves under laboratory conditions so that the chromosomes may be examined for abnormalities at an early stage in pregnancy. Only when cells divide do the chromosomes "condense" enough to become visible.

Cann stresses that he does not want to minimize the hurdles. He thinks that perhaps within two years "we will know whether or not the cells will divide."

All pregnant women in the study had foetal cells in their blood between 15 and 27 weeks of pregnancy. Cann is optimistic that "many pregnant women will have the babies' cells in their blood."

Once the cell culture techniques have been perfected, Cann sees the test being used to screen younger women, with internal needle analysis as a back-up initially to confirm results indicating abnormality. Eventually it might be that the external test could take over pre-natal diagnosis of birth defects in both older and younger women.

NOT LEAST of the Stanford work is that it raises further questions about a number of birth mysteries. For instance, how is it that the mother does not reject the baby if there are millions of foetal cells milling through the blood?

Cann speculates that perhaps there is a "blunted" immune response by the mother's system to these particular cells.

What might be the function of these cells? Do they trigger off hormone responses in the mother? Cann says: "We hope our work may help to provide an answer. But for the moment we must be honest and say we haven't the faintest idea why these cells cross into the mother." (OFNS)

Surgeons of vision

By CHRIS CONNELL / Washington

A PROMINENT Soviet eye surgeon claims he can help most nearsighted persons achieve excellent vision without glasses by making a series of simple cuts on the outside of their corneas.

Several American eye experts, however, say the experimental microsurgery technique weakens the eye structure and could lead to vision problems far more serious than nearsightedness or myopia. One called it playing "Russian roulette" with the eyes.

Nevertheless, a few American ophthalmologists are trying the Soviet surgeon's method.

Dr. Svyatoslav Fyodorov told reporters at the Soviet embassy recently he believes reshaping the cornea through surgery eventually will make glasses obsolete for all but 5 to 7 per cent of people who now wear them.

"Man has been held in bondage to spectacles for the last 600 years. His very nose and ears are imprisoned by glasses..." Fyodorov said. "We believe that soon spectacles also will take their place along with horses and bugles and we will visit them in museums."

The 51-year-old Moscow professor is a recognized expert and designer

of intraocular lenses implanted in the eyes of cataract patients.

HIS SURGICAL technique for nearsightedness involves "making superficial radial incisions at the periphery of the cornea on the outside."

"It is a variation on a method first tried in 1923 by a Japanese doctor who cut inside the cornea. That method fell into disuse because of unpredictable results and a high risk of infection, Fyodorov said.

Doctors at his Moscow Research Laboratory of Experimental and Clinical Problems of Eye Surgery who have performed 1,300 of the operations since 1973 can correct nearsightedness or myopia with "great accuracy," he said. The procedure can be used in lesser cases of astigmatism or irregular shape of the surface of the eye, he said, but not for farsightedness.

Several leading American surgeons conceded in recent interviews that by flattening out the cornea, Fyodorov's technique could sharpen vision at least temporarily.

"It's like playing a little Russian roulette with your cornea — six shots and hope it comes out all right," said Dr. Richard Troutman of the Manhattan Eye and Ear Hospital.

De Beers in 1978

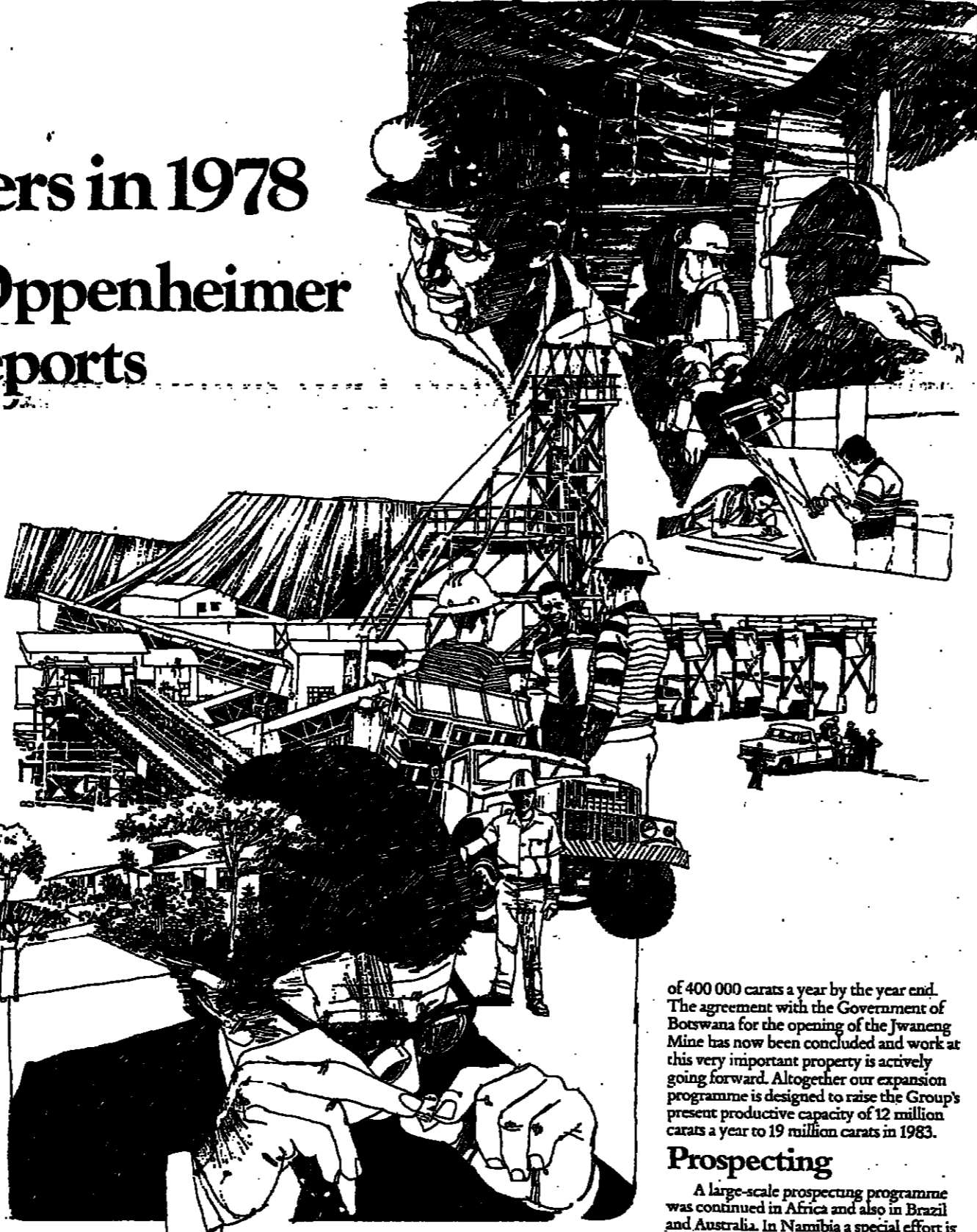
Mr H F Oppenheimer reports

Sales by the Central Selling Organisation in 1978 at US\$2 552 million reached a record level for the third year in succession and exceeded the 1977 figure by 23%. The Group's net attributable profit at R741 million compared with R563 million increased by 32% and deferred dividends were raised from 52.5 cents to 65 cents per share, an increase of 24%. Stocks of diamonds increased by R35 million to R256 million. Allowing for minority interests the total value of net investments, loan levy at R95 million, and net current assets attributable to De Beers at 31st December, was R1 908 million, or 530 cents per deferred share as compared with 351 cents the previous year.

A change in accounting practice referred to in the Directors' Report will help to give shareholders a clearer picture of the situation of the company. The 1977 figures have been adjusted to be directly comparable.

Diamond Market

In my Statement for 1977 I drew attention to an excessive level of speculation in the market for rough diamonds which had resulted in high premiums above CSO prices being paid in the secondary markets. These were related to fears about the instability of currencies and the increasing use of diamonds as a store of value. The use of diamonds as a store of value is, I believe, likely to continue at a higher level than in the past and the trading of diamonds at prices quite unrelated to those that can be currently sustained in the jewellery market is a threat to the stability of the trade which it is the prime objective of the CSO to maintain. The CSO did not therefore raise its basic prices until it could be satisfied that a higher level would be maintained in the long term, and it dealt with the abnormal trading conditions by introducing temporary surcharges at the March sight last year. By August a situation had been reached in the markets in which it was judged right to replace it with a price increase. In view of the fact that stocks of polished had built up in the cutting centres we decided on the substantial average increase of 30% to encourage liquidation of these stocks. In practice the demand for rough has continued at a high level but the market is now much quieter and the Christmas jewellery sales were lower than many people had expected. This represents



a return to normality in the market and although in 1979 we are unlikely to experience the hectic boom conditions of 1978, I believe it will still prove to be a satisfactory year for De Beers.

The demand for industrial diamonds has remained strong and sales in 1978 were higher than in the previous year.

Production

Total diamond production by the Group was 12 million carats as compared with 11.3 million carats in 1977. The major capital programmes, undertaken in order to increase the Group's productive capacity, are making good progress. In Namaqualand

the new Koiingnas Mine is now operating at its planned capacity of 500 000 carats per annum and it is of interest to note that production from the Namaqualand mines now exceeds that from CDM. Work is in progress to increase the productive capacity of Koiingnas to 750 000 carats a year by 1980 and the Finsch Mine's productive capacity of 2.6 million carats a year to over 3.5 million carats by 1980.

The expansion of Orapa is now complete and production from this mine, which amounted to 2.5 million carats last year, will reach an annual rate of 4.1 million carats in the course of 1979 while Letlhakane, which produced 330 000 carats in 1978, will bring its production to the rate

of 400 000 carats a year by the year end. The agreement with the Government of Botswana for the opening of the Jwaneng Mine has now been concluded and work at this very important property is actively going forward. Altogether our expansion programme is designed to raise the Group's present productive capacity of 12 million carats a year to 19 million carats in 1983.

Prospecting

A large-scale prospecting programme was continued in Africa and also in Brazil and Australia. In Namibia a special effort is being made to establish new reserves which might extend the life of CDM's mining operations. CDM accounts for nearly 20% of the De Beers Company's profits and will be of major importance to the economy of the emergent state of Namibia. CDM is also participating with the Anglo American Corporation Group in prospecting for other minerals in the territory.

Employee Relations

Good progress has been made towards the elimination of the remaining elements of discrimination in regard to conditions of employment on the mines of the Group. By the end of this year all conditions of service in South Africa and South West Africa/Namibia should be aligned on an integrated wage scale.

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Jerusalem feasts for independence

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter. It could have been a saint's day in Italy, or a carnival in Rio, but anyone hearing the music would know immediately that it had to be Israel.

drinks, pitta loaves, hummus, tahina and pickles. But the participants were hardly content with just that. They supplemented the fare with spicy platters of baked fish, chicken and meat, goodies baked and fried in pastry shells and cakes swimming in honey which they provided for themselves.

munal meal was being held. Hug Mevakhei Derech, a liberal congregation made up primarily of immigrants from western countries and veteran Israelis, was holding an Independence Day Seder.



Supporters of Britain's extreme rightist National Front give the Nazi salute in the working-class London district of Hoxton on Sunday, as they confront anti-Front marchers. Police moved in quickly to break up the group. (AP radiophoto)

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Zolti may list 'non-kosher' hotels

By HAIM SHAPIRO Jerusalem Post Reporter. Jerusalem Chief Rabbi Bezalel Zolti has launched a new offensive in the capital's hotel kasbrut battle by threatening to publish a list of the hotels where it would be forbidden for observant Jews to stay.

Holding out are the Hilton and Ram hotels, he said. The hotels owner, Zolti's six employees and insist that they observe kasbrut. But they are not willing to comply with a list of other obligations, such as kosher observance of Shabbat.

kosher, it has not up until now labelled them non-kosher either. A statement such as that threatened by Zolti would thus constitute a dramatic escalation of the confrontation.

Idi Amin's defeated army first devastates, then disintegrates

TORORO, Uganda (AP) — The silence of dead clung to Tororo this week as the living crept out of their homes to bury the dead and look for the missing. No dogs barked. No cars moved. Shops were shut. On the town square, the doors of a looted bank gaped open. Victorious Tanzanian soldiers lounged near a deserted church, propping their weapons on the porch of the parish hall.

Tanzanians and Ugandan exiles who liberated Tororo over the weekend met scant resistance from a few of Amin's men who stayed, apparently because they didn't know where to flee. Some who tried to escape in a truck loaded with ammunition were incinerated when Tanzanian fire hit the vehicle.

"Women were even shot in the market. The only thing to do was to stay in your home, and that's how we made it." Prison officer Valeriano Ekol, 36, came into town on Tuesday to seek what was left of his family.

Speaking at a reception on Sunday for Simon Cooper, outgoing manager of the Jerusalem Plaza Hotel, Zolti praised Cooper for "realizing that kasbrut and religious observance are good business." But he lashed out at other hoteliers — whom he did not name — for misrepresenting themselves as kosher and not keeping faith with an agreement signed a few months ago between the rabbinate and the local Hotel Association.

Dissidents enjoy NY demonstration NEW YORK (AP) — Two Soviet dissidents started with a demonstration on Tuesday as 7,500 demonstrators marched around City Hall, where the recently freed men wore the tanzanian guests of New York Mayor Edward Koch.

"There are demonstrations in Russia," he said, "but the demonstrators are forced to do so with sticks." Giorgi Vins, 52, a Baptist minister from the Ukraine, said it was the first time that he had witnessed such a demonstration.

Funds okayed for N. Sinai farmers

A \$12.5b. budget supplement approved recently for the Ministry of Agriculture includes several hundred million pounds for new flower-growing greenhouses in the Yamit area, Moshavim in the region, which is to be returned to Egypt in three years, and other flower growers had to destroy about 100 million flowers this season due to overproduction.

Solzhenitsyn just another outsider to dour Vermonters

CAVENDISH, Vermont (AP) — While Alexander Solzhenitsyn awaited the arrival of fellow Soviet dissident Alexander Ginzburg, residents of this small southeastern Vermont town described their most famous citizen as any other outsider.

Snaraki views the commotion surrounding Solzhenitsyn's activities on behalf of Soviet dissidents with an air of detached amusement. Cavendish, Snaraki said, has a history of taking in people fleeing oppression.

World May Day events reflect local issues

Attention in many countries shifted on Tuesday — May 1 — from worker solidarity, the stuff of traditional May Day rallies, to themes of austerity, revolution, aged national rivalries and future uncertainty.

The Peking "People's Daily" exhorted Chinese to "launch a nationwide movement to increase production and practise economy." Thousands of North Koreans danced on Tuesday night in Kim Il Sung Square in Pyongyang.

Sadat, down with America, dust-bitten with Zionism." Jordan's King Hussein told marchers in Amman, "We shall never surrender to the aggressor."

police, were injured in street fighting. Hundreds of thousands of workers demonstrated throughout Portugal, calling for the resignation of the five-month-old government.

Stolen stamps found

TEL AVIV (Itim) — Revenue stamps stolen in the Tel Aviv post office robbery a week ago were found outside the Cinerama building in Tel Aviv at midnight last night.

NEGEV PLANS

speech from the Alignment benches, notably by Yehoshua Rabinowitz, Adiel Amoral, Yeheskel Zakai, Daniel Rosolio, and Shimon Peres. Ehrlich said that the figures of the Central Bureau of Statistics showed that in the past three years real wages had risen by 4 per cent a year.

of Shmuel Toledano (Shai) on the government's failure to carry out the attorney-general's undertaking to the High Court of Justice concerning the expropriation of Beduin lands at Lajita in the Negev.

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Good will at Suez

THE SAFE passage of the Israeli freighter Ashdod through the Suez Canal, accompanied as she was through the 160 kms. by many signs of Egyptian good will, is one of the first fruits of the peace treaty whose implementation began last week.

The last time an Israeli ship attempted to sail through the canal was a quarter of a century ago when the Bat Galim was sent to test the response of Nasser's Egypt to the standing decision of the UN Security Council that the canal be open to Israeli shipping.

As welcome as the opening of the Suez Canal to Israeli shipping is, it should be noted that it is not an unmitigated blessing. Growing use of the canal cannot but have detrimental effects on the economic health of Israel's Red Sea port, Eilat.

In the three decades of intense Arab hostility, Israel has made many successful adaptations allowing it to live, and even prosper, in the face of that hostility. The advent of peace with Egypt will require readjustment in some of these adaptive arrangements.

These readjustments should be seen as essential though painful, short-term sacrifices, for achieving the long-term benefits that cannot fail to flow from a successfully executed peace process.

Dubious decision

THE CABINET, earlier this week, decided to rescind the standing instructions to military prosecutors not to ask for the death sentence for captured terrorists no matter how heinous their crimes.

The decision was initiated by Prime Minister Begin in the wake of the brutal terrorist attack on Nahariya.

In the wake of the Cabinet decision, military prosecutors will now be empowered to ask for the death sentence from military tribunals hearing captured terrorists.

The nature of the vote in the Cabinet, however — a 7-5 majority with both Defence Minister Weizman and Agriculture Minister Sharon, voting against — should give pause for second thoughts.

There is reason to doubt whether Weizman and Sharon voted the way they did because they agree with the argument against the brutalisation of Israeli society inherent in application of the death sentence.

The argument itself is not entirely convincing as the success of the security forces in killing most terrorists in action in the field has not led to such brutalisation. Besides, there is no need to carry out executions publicly as is done in the neighbouring Arab countries.

Weizman and Sharon, like many other military men, were concerned primarily with the rational arguments that have always persuaded us in counselling against the death penalty not only in orthodox warfare but also in the war against terror. In addition all those ministers who voted in opposition were no doubt conscious of the danger that imposing the death penalty would only turn condemned terrorists into martyrs and at the same time expose Israel to unacceptable political pressures on the international scene.

Prime Minister Begin should, therefore, give all those considerations greater heed when in the future he is called upon to decide whether or not to apply the power voted in the Cabinet.

After Brezhnev, who?

Soviet leader Leonid Brezhnev is ill and Kremlin watchers are now looking intently at the small list of his possible successors. Veteran British correspondent Tom Arms reports.

PRESIDENT Leonid Brezhnev is a sick man, and Kremlinologists are turning their minds and pens to long memorandums on what effect a Soviet leadership change would have on world diplomacy.

Brezhnev's most recent illness has been officially described as "flu." It was bad enough to force the President to ask France's President Giscard d'Estaing to postpone an important visit to Moscow.

Chernenko, despite being handicapped by Brezhnev, is unlikely to move straight into Brezhnev's shoes upon the death of his old master.

That role will probably go to either 76-year-old Mikhail Suslov or 73-year-old Andrei Kirilenko. The Russians are very conscious of seniority and rank, and both these men outrank Chernenko.

Suslov is an old-time Stakhanov and Brezhnev's major opponent in the Soviet leadership. It is believed that in the past he was a key figure in the leadership struggles following Stalin's death and Khrushchev's downfall.

A few years ago he might have stepped into the top job, but now it is believed he is too old and too closely associated with the anti-Brezhnev camp.

Most Western diplomats believe that Andrei Kirilenko will be Brezhnev's immediate successor. A close friend of the President, Kirilenko is officially Brezhnev's deputy and responsible for economic affairs, although Chernenko is believed to have taken over some of Kirilenko's responsibilities in both areas.

Most Kremlinologists regard Kirilenko as unsuitable in the long term. He is viewed as a colourless

figure without political talent. And although he is in excellent health, Kirilenko is still a year older than Brezhnev.

THE MOST likely scenario appears to be that Kirilenko will be a caretaker leader until Chernenko has served out his apprenticeship on the Politburo and is ready to move into the top job.

Two years ago Konstantin Chernenko, aged 66, was not even considered by Kremlinologists as a candidate for the leadership. Then it was believed to be a battle between Viktor Grishin, the party chief in Moscow, and Grigori Romanov, party chief in Leningrad.

It was not until 1977 that Chernenko became a candidate member of the Politburo. Then, at the end of November 1978, he was made a full member and along with Brezhnev, Suslov and Kirilenko, one of the four full party secretaries in the Soviet Union.

Chernenko is a close friend of Brezhnev. It is believed that during the President's illnesses he acted as liaison between Brezhnev and the other members of the Politburo. As Brezhnev was undoubtedly incapable of work at times this meant that during those periods Chernenko virtually ran the country.

Little is known about Chernenko's political attitudes, but Western diplomats assume they are close to Brezhnev's. His experience of foreign affairs is limited to accom-

panying Brezhnev on trips to Helsinki and Romania.

To provide him with some foreign policy credentials, Chernenko followed up the trips with articles on European security and Soviet foreign policy. They closely followed the party line and could have been written by any student from the Moscow Institute of International Relations.

CHERNENKO'S career has been entirely in the party rather than government. He is secretary of the central committee and it is believed that he had complete responsibility for running the party machinery between 1965 and 1976.

Konstantin Chernenko's party experience could be important for two reasons. First it means that his contacts at all levels of the party could



mean more stability during any transitional period.

Secondly, the appointment of a party man would be in line with Brezhnev's aim of strengthening the role of the communist party in Soviet life. He has done this by increasing the rewards for party members: the dachas, trips abroad, allowances and special stores.

This has created a system in which the members feel loyalty to the organization rather than to the man at the top as was the case during the days of Stalin and Khrushchev.

Diplomats believe that this transfer of loyalty from individual to party may create a self-perpetuating bureaucratic elite whose uniformity of aspirations and outlook will guide Soviet behaviour no matter who sits at the top of the pyramid. (Gemini)

READERS' LETTERS

DEATH ON THE ROADS

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — The highway from Ashdod to Ashkelon is a two-lane road which is used by many big trucks, taxis and buses. We would like to see the statistics of how many serious injuries and deaths occur each year on this highway.

Friends of ours were in a serious car accident recently on this road — a large truck was passing when the driver had no right to and caused a head-on collision with their car, which resulted in serious injuries to the family and tragic results. We travelled on that highway every day for two weeks to visit them in the Ashkelon Hospital and there was not one day that we did not see either an accident or a near-miss accident because the driver was driving carelessly and taking chances on passing another car. We ourselves were forced off the road onto the soft shoulder on two occasions by a big truck coming opposite us. The hospital in Ashkelon is full of people who have been injured or crippled in accidents on that road.

Why isn't something done about it?

DE AND MRS. LEO WOLFSON Ramat Gan.

FIRE IN TEL AVIV HOTEL

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — I must comment publicly regarding the recent fire in the Plaza Tel Aviv Hotel.

I awakened at 3.30 a.m. and smelled smoke. I opened my door on the 17th floor and the corridor was filled with smoke. I awakened my wife and friends in the next room. We proceeded down the stairs to the lobby with other guests.

Since the fire commenced on the 9th floor, and I was located on the 17th floor, precious time must have elapsed. The question arises why the management of the hotel did not sound the fire alarm. When firemen arrived and a decision was made to evacuate the hotel, why didn't they sound the fire alarm to warn all guests?

There was no leadership shown by the hotel or the fire department. As we proceeded from the 17th floor to the lobby, we had no indication as to the fire situation or smoke as we reached each floor. No one gave us any assurance that the stairs were clear to the lobby.

Fortunately, no panic occurred but this was due to the coolness of the guests and not to the credit of the hotel staff or the fire department.

THE BUSSELL CENTRE

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — As a special educator visiting Israel, I was delighted with my visit to the Jerusalem Development Centre. I would like to commend Professor A. Russell as the director of the centre for an outstanding job performed with the "special" infants and children of Jerusalem and outlying areas. Not only are they doing a remarkable job now, but their future plans encompass the entire sphere of special education for children from one and a half to seven years.

Professor Russell's idea to include a normal school, parents and grandparents in the development of these

TRIPS ABROAD

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

Sir, — May I correct some misleading errors in Mark Segal's article, "Popularity Stakes", concerning the item about M.K. Ora Namir who, it is claimed, "nipped in the bud an expensive scheme by the Ministry of Education to send Yossi Frost to New York to operate an agency."

The truth is that the Jewish Welfare Board, an independent American Jewish organization, and not the Ministry of Education, invited Yossi Frost for a study-tour of Jewish community centres at its own expense (covering overseas travel and stay).

JWB was interested in possible assistance from Omani Le'am to locate outstanding Israeli artists and entertainers to tour Jewish communities.

JWB was thus eager for Yossi Frost to learn about Jewish community centres and its centrally established set-up for providing cultural programmes, so as to facilitate future use of good Israeli performers.

Either M.K. Ora Namir was intentionally fed false information to cause embarrassment to the Minister and the Arts and Culture Council, or there was a deliberate attempt to be provocative and thus gain dubious publicity for a supposedly watchful Knesset committee.

It is a pity that no one bothered to check the facts before "nipping in the bud" what was to be a mutually productive idea and, for a change, not at the expense of the state. But then, that really doesn't seem to matter when you are out to oppose for the sake of opposition.

ABRAHAM TARMON, DIRECTOR, JWB Israel Office Jerusalem.

Mark Segal comments: I find Tarmon's tone highly offensive. Why must he, as an official of a U.S. Jewish organization, write in such an insulting tone about the efforts of the chairman of the Knesset Education and Cultural Committee to supervise the work of one of the Ministry's staff?

As to the actual issue, Frost is a civil servant whose salary comes from taxes, including those paid by this columnist. I, for one, am pleased that one of our M.K.s took the trouble to stop a well-connected official going off on a junket. In view of the sorry state of affairs in our development towns, it is only right that Mrs. Namir should have asked the Minister to consider why the director of Omani Le'am should be sent off on a free trip at a time when he has so much work to do at home. Our elected leaders, and not a U.S. agency's official, must decide what is or is not "a mutually productive idea."

FREE ELECTRICITY

To the Editor of The Jerusalem Post

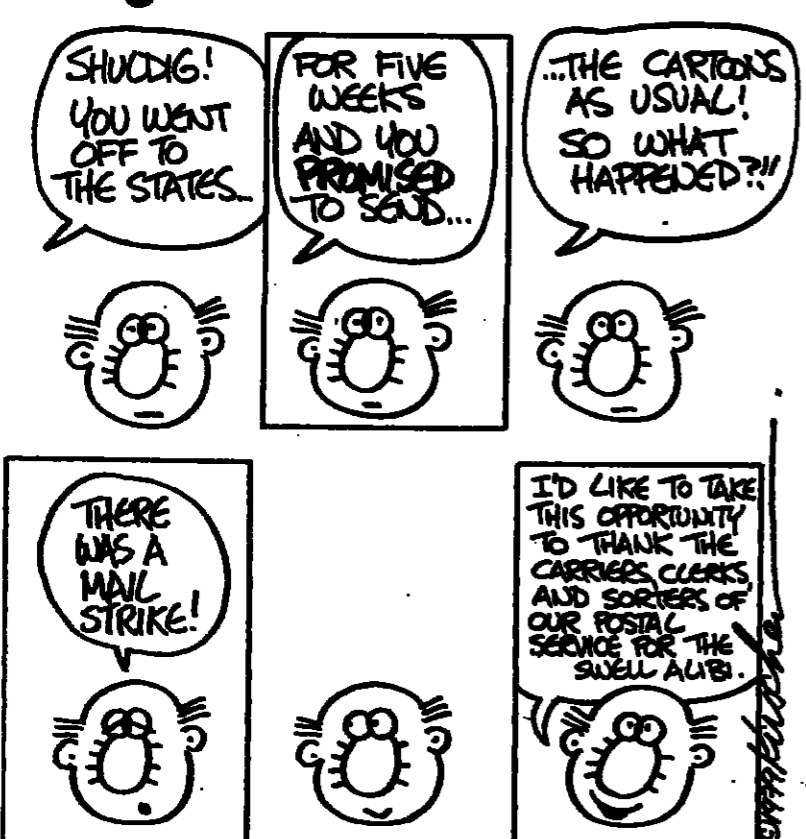
Sir, — I have just read your report of April 30 to the effect that Electric Corporation staff are resisting a plan to make them pay for their electricity.

I have a neighbour who does not pay for electricity. Two lights have been burning day and night outside her house for years.

I think it is high time to limit the amount of electricity such people receive free of charge because we have to pay for their unnecessary use of it. (Name and address supplied.) Haifa.

S. GROPPER Ramat Elyahu.

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